(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI. P.K. THUNGON): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The question does not arise.

(c) At present BHEL has a lean order book position and, therefore, is not contemplating setting up any new factory. However, BHEL has set up regional headquarters at Calcutta and service centres at Bhubaneswar and Patna for rendering prompt services to utilities.

Development of 'Char' Areas

5495. SHRI UDDHAB BARMAN: Will the Minister PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have received any proposal from Government of Assam for the development of 'Char' areas during Eighth Five Year Plan period; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) and (b). Government of Assam have including proposals for development of Char areas in their Draft Five Year Plan 1992-97. These involve removal physical sociological and institutional constraints to development of the Char areas through (i) Special Programmes with emphasis on Agriculture/dairy activities/drinking water supply facilities/weaving, sewing etc./Cottage Industries and education for bringing up the population, mostly cultivators, above poverty line; (ii) growth of adequate transport and communication facilities for inter-Char mobility and creation of infrastructure of marketing facilkitides; (iii) raising of standard of living by opening to the poor people, new opportunities for a richer and more varied live with increased production and per capital income; and (iv) sustaining the pace of economic growth achieved in the Seventh Five Year Plan over the Eighth Plan period.

The new schemes proposed for the Eighth Plan are for sports and youth welfare, fishery, training facilities for unemployed youth, distribution of rickshaws and pulicarts, mobile dispensaties on boats and urban night shelters.

Issue of Licences of E.P.S. and Kerosene Depots in Delhi

5496. SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of licence of Fair Prince Shops and Kerosene Oil Deposits issued, separately, so far, in the Union Territoty of Delhi;

(b) the number out of these allotted to the Scheduled Castes Tribes, separtely, till date;

(c) whether there is any reservation in the allotment of these licences shops/depots to the SC/ST;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether Government propose to make reservation in the above mentioned licenced Fair Price Shops and kerosence Depots as in the case of allotment of Petrol Pumps and L.P.G. agencies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) The number of Fair Price Shops and Kerosene Oil Deports licenced in the Union Territory of Delhi is as under: